

**Riverdale City Council Work Session Meeting, August 4, 2015**

Minutes of the Work Session of the Riverdale City Council held Tuesday, August 4, 2015, at 6:00 PM, at the Civic Center in the Administrative Offices, 4600 S Weber River Dr., Riverdale City, Weber County, Utah.

**Present:** City Council: Norm Searle, Mayor  
Don Hunt, Councilor  
Braden Mitchell, Councilor  
Brent Ellis, Councilor  
Gary E. Griffiths, Councilor

Excused: Michael Staten, Councilor

City Employees: Rodger Worthen, City Administrator  
Steve Brooks, City Attorney  
Mike Eggett, Community Development Director  
Jackie Manning, City Recorder

Mayor Searle welcomed the Council Members stating for the record that all were in attendance, with the exception of Councilor Staten who is excused, and Councilor Hunt who has not arrived as of yet. Mayor Searle asked if anyone was aware of any open communications. Mayor Searle disclosed that Ron Spendlove may make a comment at the public meeting.

Mayor Searle passed around Weber County Fair pens as a means to promote the upcoming fair, and encouraged everyone to attend. Councilor Don Hunt arrived to the meeting at 5:32 PM. Mayor Searle reported on the WACOG (Weber Area Council of Governments) Meeting in which storm water was discussed. He mentioned the heavy rains on the north end of the county. He noted over the years the subdivisions were built in such a way that flooding in surrounding cities has occurred. The Weber County Engineer will contact all the various surrounding City Public Works Directors in the next two months regarding potential flood issues in their respective communities. Councilor Griffiths stated some storm drains may be plugged with debris. City Attorney Steve Brooks arrived at 5:35 PM. Councilor Griffiths preceded to discuss the various ways in which a storm drain may clog.

Mayor Searle reported on the CTC (Communities That Care) Meeting. He stated Paula Price made a presentation regarding the CTC Program at various High Schools, including Weber and Ogden. There was a discussion regarding transportation options available for seniors while using the UTA (Utah Transit Authority) and various shuttles to assist in those with disability needs. Mayor Searle stated there is a program for the senior center and discussed the option of having UTA do a presentation for the seniors to keep them informed regarding services available to them through the UTA.

Councilor Hunt inquired about the status of the proposed gasoline tax increase. Mayor Searle stated he attended a meeting where the County Commissioners heard comments for and against the tax proposal. The County Commissioners should make their decision by the end of August.

Mayor Searle invited discussion regarding the National Disaster Resilience Competition Grant. Mr. Worthen stated he will give the full report in the regular city council meeting. He felt there were a lot of favorable projects that would help with flood control and recreation efforts. Mayor Searle felt this was a really important project for flood control and repairs. Mayor Searle inquired about the proposed board walk. Mr. Worthen stated parts of the trails would flow into the board walk to help absorb some of the rivers energy. Certain areas would need to be elevated to avoid any swamp issues. Councilor Griffiths stated they may be able to implement a good park retention area in the lower area of Riverdale. Mr. Worthen stated this is part of park development. They have an opportunity to help the community by applying amenities, such as recreation and as well as flood control. Mr. Worthen has been working closely with JUB staff to better their chances of receiving a grant.

Councilor Ellis asked if there was a new Park Committee Meeting scheduled at this time. Mr. Eggett stated they were purposely delaying the meeting because they wanted to see if the grant is approved. This would allow for additional funds, which could be essential in developing the parks.

Mayor Searle inquired about the trail connection at Washington Terrace and asked if it would be included in the grant. Mr. Worthen stated that would be a lower priority. Mr. Worthen stated he applied for a separate grant to study that option, which was submitted at the end of July. He discussed the boundary lines of the trail connection. He discussed the various issues such as topography and the wetlands. He felt a study would help determine the most appropriate place for trail connection.

Mayor Searle invited Mr. Brooks to comment on the 2015 Utah State Legislative Updates. Mr. Brooks stated he color coded the information to allow for faster viewing of the appropriate codes. He stated he will provide this information to the

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council.

Mayor Searle invited any corrections or changes to the meeting minutes. Councilor Mitchell advised to check the attendance and time for July 21, 2015 Work Session Meeting. There were no further updates requested.

There were no discussions regarding the discretionary item on the agenda.

Having no further business to discuss the Council adjourned at 5:55 PM to convene into their Regular City Council Meeting.

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Norm Searle, Mayor

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Jackie Manning, City Recorder